Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 18 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 19 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Dec 2024 at 01:49

Confidence: Medium for the detail of low tracking east through the south of the United Kingdom later Wednesday. High for a showery, colder northwesterly flow for Thursday, then lowering from Friday for the transitional detail as fronts then troughs cross from the east.

Headline for Wednesday 18 Dec 2024: A mainly dry bright day with strong summit winds easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 18 Dec 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Drizzle	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
70%	10%	<05%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 18 Dec 2024

Weather: Overcast early morning with patchy drizzle soon clearing. Then a largely dry and occasionally bright day. A chance of a few showers in the afternoon, and a low risk of more persistent rain in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 10% becoming 80% from late morning.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor visibility at first in low cloud with bases extensive from 500m. Visibility becoming very good with cloud lifting and breaking by mid-morning, most likely remaining above the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	45/62 NW	37/53 W	23/33 W	18/26 W	18/25 NW	27/37 NW	28/40 NW
300	25/44 NW	21/37 W	13/24 W	10/18 W	10/17 NW	16/28 NW	18/31 NW
Valley	21/42 NW	17/35 W	12/24 W	9/18 W	8/16 NW	13/25 NW	15/27 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	7/0	5/-2	4/-2	3/-2	2/-4	1/-7	-0/-8
300	9/5	7/2	7/3	6/2	4/1	3/-2	2/-4
Valley	10/6	8/4	8/5	7/4	6/3	4/-0	3/-2
Freezing Level*	2100m	1200m	1100m	900m	800m	600m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Gales across the summits early morning with a risk of being blown over. A slight chance of rain in the evening.

Forecast for Thursday 19 Dec 2024

Weather: Opening with frequent showers, some heavy with the risk of hail and thunder in western areas of the park and a snow level 400-500m. Outbreaks easing through the afternoon with good spells of weak winter sunshine.

Maximum wind: Northwest 35-40mph with gusts reaching 55mph across more exposed ridges and summits

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 25% becoming 75% for the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Very good becoming moderate or poor in rain showers, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases quite extensive from 600m at first, lifting and breaking from mid-morning

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 1 Celsius increasing 6 Celsius for the afternoon
At 700m: Zero to Minus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 600-700m

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